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Application Number	10/699,160; Pat. No. 7,357,954 B2
Filing Date	10/30/2003; Issued 04/15/2008
First Named Inventor	Kanemoto, Shigeharu
Art Unit	1794
Examiner Name	Mahafkey, Kelly
Attorney Docket Number	NA20-002

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### Complete if Known

Application Number	10/699,160 (Pat. # 7,357,954)
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#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	310	155	510	255	210	105	0.00
Design	210	105	100	50	130	65	0.00
Plant	210	105	310	155	160	80	0.00
Reissue	310	155	510	255	620	310	0
Provisional	210	105	0	0	0	0	0.00

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25
210	105
370	185

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$)

- 20 or HP =            x            = 0.00

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Indep. Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$)

- 3 or HP =            x            = 0.00

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

Multiple Dependent Claims  
Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)  
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Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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### SUBMITTED BY

Signature	<u>D. Brent Kenady</u>	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	40,045	Telephone (509) 624-4276
Name (Print/Type)	D. Brent Kenady	Date	<u>8-27-08</u>	

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Patent No. .... 7,357,954 B2  
Patent Issue Date ..... April 15, 2008  
Application Serial No. .... 10699160  
Filing Date ..... October 30, 2003  
Confirmation No. .... 1621  
Inventor ..... Kanemoto, Shigeharu  
Assignee ..... Satake Corporation and Riviana Foods, Inc.  
Group Art Unit ..... 1794  
Examiner ..... Kelly J. Mahafkey  
Attorney's Docket No. .... NA20-002  
Title: ..... Process for Preparing Instant Rice and Product Thereof

**REQUEST TO CORRECT/INSERT ASSIGNEE ON ISSUED PATENT**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §3.81(b)**

To: Mail Stop: PETITIONS  
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Sir/Madam:

Applicant is hereby petitioning to add a missing Assignee to issued Patent No. 7357954, granted April 15, 2008.

The assignment was submitted for recordation as set forth in 37 CFR §3.11 before issuance of the patent. A copy of the assignment, the request for assignment and Notice of Recordation are provided herewith.

The failure to include the correct assignee name on the PTOL-85B was inadvertent.

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Please find provided herewith a copy of the previously-filed Request for Certificate of Correction (and evidence of \$100.00 fee provided with Request).

Please find provided herewith the processing fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.117(h) to accompany this request.

Addition of the missing Assignee to issued Patent No. 7357954 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 8-27-08

By:   
D. Brent Kenady  
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Patent No.: 7,357,954 B2  
Application No.: 10/699,160  
Inventor(s): Shigeharu Kanemoto  
Issued: April 15, 2008  
Title: PROCESS FOR PREPARING INSTANT RICE AND PRODUCT THEREOF

Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule(s) 1.322 and/or 1.323.

Assignees' names and addresses (assignment data) printed in a patent, are based *solely* on information supplied in the appropriate space for identifying the assignment data, i.e., item 3 of the Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85B. Granting of a request under 37 CFR 3.81(b) is required to correct applicant's error providing incorrect or erroneous assignment data, *before* issuance of a Certificate of Correction, under 37 CFR 1.323 (*see Manual of Patent Examining Procedures (M.P.E.P) Chp. 1400, sect. 1481*). This procedure is required *at any time after the issue fee is paid*, including after issuance of the patent.

In view of the foregoing, your request, in this matter, is hereby denied.

A request to correct the Assignee under 37 CFR 3.81(b) should include:

- A. the processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.117(h) (currently \$130);
- B. a statement that the failure to include the correct assignee name on the PTOL-85B was inadvertent; and

C. a copy of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document, reflecting the reel and frame number where the assignment(s) is recorded and/or reflecting proof of *the date* the assignment was submitted for recordation.

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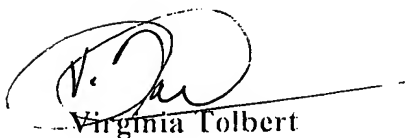
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BRIEF: ASSIGNMENT OF ASSIGNOR'S INTEREST (SEE DOCUMENT FOR DETAILS).

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KANEMOTO, SHIGEHARU

DOC DATE: 12/25/2003

ASSIGNOR:

WAKABAYASHI, KEISHI

DOC DATE: 12/25/2003

ASSIGNOR:

KENDALL, JOHN H.

DOC DATE: 12/18/2003

ASSIGNOR:

MOHINDRA, RANVIR B.

DOC DATE: 12/18/2003

ASSIGNEE:

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ASSIGNEE:

RIVIANA FOODS INC.  
2777 ALLEN PARKWAY  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77019

SERIAL NUMBER: 10699160

FILING DATE: 10/30/2003

PATENT NUMBER:

ISSUE DATE:


TITLE: PROCESS FOR PREPARING INSTANT RICE AND PRODUCT THEREOF

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International Application Number:	
Confirmation Number:	1621
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First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:	Shigeharu Kanemoto
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Attorney Docket Number:	NA20-002
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## Electronic Patent Application Fee Transmittal

Application Number:	10699160			
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Title of Invention:	PROCESS FOR PREPARING INSTANT RICE AND PRODUCT THEREOF			
First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:	Shigeharu Kanemoto			
Filer:	Donald B. Kenady/Muriel Dunnigan			
Attorney Docket Number:	NA20-002			
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Patent No. ....7357954  
Patent Issue Date ..... April 15, 2008  
Application Serial No. ....10699160  
Filing Date ..... October 30, 2003  
Assignee ..... Satake Corporation and Riviana Foods Inc.  
Inventorship ..... Kanemoto, Shigeharu  
Attorney's Docket No. .... NA20-002  
Title: ..... Process for Preparing Instant Rice and Product Thereof

**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION OF PATENT**  
**FOR APPLICANT'S MISTAKE (37 C.F.R. 1.323)**

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Sir/Madam:

It is hereby requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued with respect to Patent No. 7357954, granted April 15, 2008, in accordance with the Certificate of Correction form attached hereto.

It is noted that an error appears in this patent of a clerical nature of character, as more fully described below. The error occurred in good faith. Correction thereof does not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require re-examination.


There are two Assignees for this patent; however, only one Assignee is listed on the issued patent. The Assignment was submitted for recordation on March 2, 2004 and is recorded on reel 015047, frame 0367-0371. The patent issued April 15, 2008.

Attached hereto is Form PTO-1050 which is suitable for printing.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 5-29-08

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PATENT NO. : 7357954

APPLICATION NO.: 10699160

DATED : April 15, 2008

INVENTOR(S) : Kanemoto, Shigeharu; Wakabayashi, Keishi;  
Kendall, John H.; and Mohindra, Ranvir B.

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It is certified that an error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On face page of patent, please insert under (73) Assignee:

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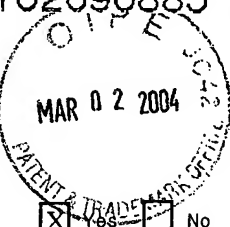
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Keishi Wakabayashi

John H. Kendall

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December 25, 2003

Execution Date: December 18, 2003

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Ranvir B. Mohindra**COPY**

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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BACKGROUND OF THIS ASSIGNMENT:

Inventors have conceived certain new and useful inventions disclosed in a United  
States patent application titled : PROCESS FOR PREPARING INSTANT RICE AND  
PRODUCT THEREOF

ASSIGNEES desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in said inventions  
and with respect to any Letters Patent that may be granted with respect to the inventions  
in both the United States and in all foreign countries.

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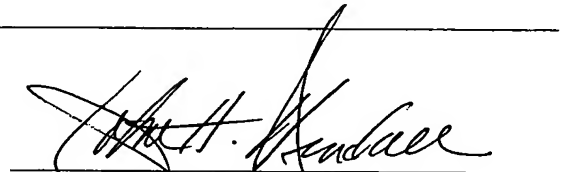
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